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VIII-4	Declaration of inventorship (only for the purposes of the designation of the United States of America)	-	
VIII-5	Declaration as to non-prejudicial disclosures or exceptions to lack of novelty	-	
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IX-1	Request (including declaration sheets)	7	✓
IX-2	Description	8	-
1X-3	Claims	3	-
IX-4	Abstract	1	✓
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1X-8	Fee calculation sheet	√	-
IX-9	Original separate power of attorney	✓	-
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IX-19	Figure of the drawings which should accompany the abstract	10	
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